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SUBJ: WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE--BURUNDI DELEGATION

REF: A) STATE 161933 B) STATE 180817

1. FOLLOWING IS COMPOSITION (WITH BIO DATA WHERE AVAILABLE)
OF GRB DELEGATION TO SUBJECT CONFERENCE:

- SYLVESTRE BARANDEREKA, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF POPULATION
OF MINISTRY OF INTERIOR (MININT).

- JEAN BARAHINDUKA, GOVERNOR, PROVINCE OF MUHINGA.
BARAHINDUKA IS MARRIED, BROTHER-IN-LAW OF PRESIDENT MICOMBERO
AND WAS FIRST CIVILIAN GOVERNOR TO BE APPOINTED (APPROX. 7
YEARS AGO) FOLLOWING FOUNDING OF REPUBLIC IN 1966. A NON-
MOVER, HE PROBABLY REGARDS CONFERENCE AS LITTLE MORE THAN
JUNKET.

- JEAN-CHRYSTOSTOME, FUOTIONARY AT MININT.

-VITAL KANJOLI, DIRECTEUR DE CABINET AT MININT. KANJOLI
REPRESENTED GRB AT REGIONAL PREPCOM FOR UNWPC HELD IN ADDIS
LAST MAY. WHILE OUTRANKED BY BARANHINDUKA, KANJOLI MAY BE
DE FACTO CHIEF OF DELEGATION.

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2. FIFTH MEMBER OF DELEGATION UNKNOWN.

3. Z RUNDI'S POPULATION IS NOMINALLY 50 PCT CATHOLIC AND GRB HAS NO RPT NO POPULATION PROGRAM. NEVERTHELESS, GRB NOT RPT NOT NEGATIVELY INCLINED. WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION AND UNIVERSITY, BOTH UNDER REGIME CONTROL, HAVE CONDUCTED STUDY OF ATTITUDES TOWARD FAMILY PLANNING. CONTRACEPTIVES AVAILABLE COMMERCIALY AND IPPF REP AND FRENCH MEDICAL ASSISTANCE MD'S HAVE BEEN TACITLY ALLOWED TO DISTRIBUTE FREE CONTRACEPTIVES. THIS MUST BE DONE DISCREETLY, OF COURSE, AND RATE OF ACCEPTANCE HAS BEEN VERY SLOW.

4. ADDITIONAL OPPURTUNITY FOR DISTRIBUTION WILL BE TWO MATERNITY CLINICS FOR WHICH CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULED BEGIN SOON. COSOI OF CONSTRUCTION BEING PROVIDED BY EMBASSY SELF-HELP FUNDS.

5. GRB ROLE AT BUCAREST WILL BE DETERMINED BY ABOVE FACTORS PLUS DESIRE AVOID GETTING OUT OF STEP WITH ANY AFRICAN CONSENSUS. WE WOULD THEREFORE NOT ANTICIPATE THAT BURUNDI WILL TAKE LEAD IN ANY DIRECTION, ALTHOUGH SOME OF ITS MEDIA HAVE BEEN MILDLY ADDICTED TO LINE THAT POPULATION CONTROL IS PART OF SCHEME OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO MAINTAIN THEIR WEALTH AND BIG LEAD OVER LDC'S.
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